

REMARKS

Favorable consideration of this application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested. By this amendment, claim 1 has been amended and new claims 12 and 13 have been added. Applicants submit that no new matter has been added. Currently, claims 1-13 are pending of which claims 1, 12, and 13 are independent.

Applicants thank the Examiner and her supervisor for conducting a personal interview with Applicants' representative on October 22, 2002. During the interview, claim 1 was discussed in relation to the cited art and potentially allowable subject matter. As reflected by the interview summary of record (copy of which is attached), agreement was reached as to allowable subject matter and scope of claim language.

Claims 1, 3, and 8-11 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as unpatentable over Bertram (U.S. Patent 5,818,446) in view of "Alexa Internet and Netscape Team to Provide Related Sites to Support Smart Browsing" (hereinafter, Alexa). Claim 2 was rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as unpatentable over Bertram and Alexa in view of Miller. Claim 4 was rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as unpatentable over Bertram and Alexa in view of Peyer (USP 6,188,401). Claims 5-7 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as unpatentable over Bertram and Alexa in view of Brown.

Applicants submit that these rejections are moot in view of the amendment to claim 1, as reflected by the agreement reached during the personal interview. Bertram does not describe or suggest that the chrome specifiers displayed by the chrome display program correspond to content from the current web site of the current server computer.

Accordingly, withdrawal of these rejections is respectfully requested.

Applicant further submits that claims 12 and 13 are not described or suggested by the cited references, and are allowable over these references as discussed with the Examiner. Respectively, claims 12 and 13 recite that the chrome specifiers displayed by the chrome display program correspond to a language demographic of the user and the chrome specifiers displayed by the chrome display program are based on at least one of the content and the chrome of the past web sites selected by the user computer.

Attached is a marked-up version of the changes being made by the current amendment.

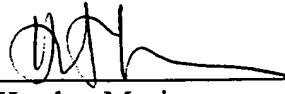
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Applicants submit that all pending claims are in condition for allowance and formal notice of such is solicited. If the Examiner has any questions, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the number listed below. Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, Ref. No. 06975-188001.

Respectfully submitted,

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Version with markings to show changes made

In the claims:

Claim 1 has been amended as follows:

1. (Amended) A web browser program executable by a client computer connectable to server computers by a computer network, the web browser program automatically reconfiguring chrome of a user interface to the web browser program to provide a user access to any one of groups of related information, the web browser program comprising:

a content display program configured to receive content data from a current web site of a current server computer, and to cause information representative of the content data to be displayed on a content portion of a display of the client computer;

a chrome display program configured to cause chrome that corresponds to chrome specifiers in a chrome configuration database to be displayed on a chrome portion of the client computer display;

a current site communication program configured to provide an indication of the current server computer to related information servers indicated by a related information servers indication;

a chrome configuration processing program configured to receive, from the related information servers, related information designators provided to the client computer based on the indication of the current server computer, and to provide the related information designators as chrome specifiers in the chrome configuration database such that the chrome display program displays the related information designators as part of the chrome; and

a related information servers indication receiving program configured to receive the related information servers indication from at least one of the server computers such that the related information servers indication is dynamically reconfigurable,

wherein the chrome specifiers displayed by the chrome display program correspond to content from the current web site of the current server computer.